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Sir:

This is in response to the Interview Summary dated April 21, 2008.

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Applicant: Oura et al.
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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Making reference to the Interview Summary, Applicant wishes to advise that Applicant's representative conducted a telephone interview with Examiner Amy Hsu and the Examiner's Supervisory Patent Examiner, Tuan Ho on April 15, 2008.

Applicant requested and was granted the courtesy of an interview to discuss proposed amendments to certain of the claims and the Masahide Hirasawa, (U.S. Patent No. 6,980,233) (hereinafter, "Hirasawa").

Applicant proposed amendments to some of the claims in order to distinguish over Hirasawa.

Although the Examiner indicated that the proposed amendments would overcome the final rejection and prior art of record, it would be necessary for Applicant to file a Request For Continued Examination (RCE) in order to enable the Examiner to consider the claim amendments which are subject to an updated search.

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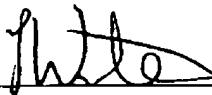
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Applicant's representative advised that a report of the interview would be submitted to Applicant requesting authorization to proceed by way of filing an RCE.

Respectfully submitted,

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